

# RIEL FAMILY NEWS LETTER

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**MARGARET INCLUDED IN 3RD EDITION OF "MARKET GUIDE FOR YOUNG WRITERS"** We learned recently that the third edition of the book edited by Kathy Henderson, a well known and prolific author, contains a brief article by our own Margaret. In the article, Margaret explains how she got started as a professional writer while she was in high school. She and two friends started a school newspaper, and Margaret was it's first editor. She also won second place in a city wide essay contest. She points out, however, that writing is not an easily acquired skill and much hard work is necessary to gain the skills needed to do successful writing. She also points out that in her own experience the best work comes forth when one is expressing one's own ideas to one's own peers, whereas writing for the teacher in response to an assignment produces a lower quality product. This personal experience conclusion has been verified by Margaret in a study she conducted on a series of essays written as a school assignment and similar efforts directed to the authors peers. In all cases the peer directed work got higher marks than the assigned efforts. Margaret's advice is to share your own ideas, knowledge and experiences with others, if you want to write well. Good advice!

## **RUNNY NOSE DEPARTMENT**

Little Annie G. came down with a hot brow and a cold feeling a few weeks ago, but it was not all bad. She got to spent the entire day with Grampa and Grandma Riel, which included lunch at a local restaurant, lots of TV cartoons and a few naps. That did the trick, and a full cure was achieved.

We were worried to learn that Karla

recently had to make a quick trip to the emergency room a few weeks ago. However, some adjustments in her medication corrected the problem, and she was able to come home the next day. That was good news.

**VACATION NEWS** - Francie, Jose, Brett and Bryce jetted over to Las Vegas for a quick week-end vacation on the 23-25 of March. They stayed at the Excalibur Hotel and took in the sights and sounds at Mom's version of Disneyland for grown-ups. All had a good time, but Francie commented that Bryce has a mind of his own, and knows how to use it, too. Incidentally, The 1875 Lyndon Road airport park and ride service was used, and is available to anyone who is planning a trip. The price is right.

**BIRTHDAY CALENDAR** - Last week both Jessica Benesch (8) and Craig Hartmen (8) celebrated by spending the day with Grandma Riel. Both celebrations included lunch and a visit to the zoo and park. HAPPY BIRTHDAY !

## **COMING UP IN APRIL**

Robert Riel	April 9th	34
Jan Riel	April 21st	39+
Dustin Benesch	April 3rd	5
Brian Riel	April 5th	2
Kevin Riel	April 11th	12

## **FIRST EDITION OF RIEL FAMILY NEWS LETTER PUBLISHED**

- This is the first issue of what we hope will become a regular event in the Riel family. Our objective is to help everyone keep up on what is going on in the family. In order to be successful we need input from everyone. Happenings, events ets, relayed by note or phone are solicited from all.